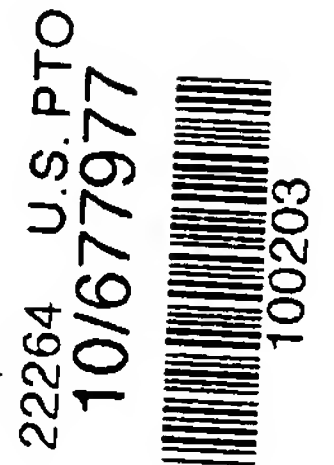


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR: Nguyen

FOR: Methods of Generating and Screening for Proteases with Altered Specificity



Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR FILING A NEW NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

1. This application claims priority to USSN 60/415,388, filed October 2, 2002. The contents of this application are incorporated by reference in their entirety.
2. This application includes 60 total pages. This total includes 54 pages of specification (not including claims or abstract), 5 page of claims, and 1 page containing the Abstract. Drawings: Figs. 1 to 7B (7 pages), Informal.
3. A Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned) is enclosed. (3 pages).
4. Fees associated with this application have been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	44	- 20 =	24	\$18.00	432.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	4	- 3 =	1	\$86.00	86.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	0			\$290.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL:					1288.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by <u>small entity</u> :					644.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$644.00

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5. A check (#17320) in the amount of \$644.00 in payment of filing fees for the application is enclosed.
6. The Commissioner is authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 25840-501.
7. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 2, 2003

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